[CHAPTER 779]

JOINT RESOLUTION

To amend the Act of June 30, 1949, which increased the compensation of certain employees of the District of Columbia, so as to clarify the provisions relating to retired policemen and firemen.

October 28, 1949 [H. J. Res. 302] [Public Law 426]

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the first sentence of section 5 of the Act entitled "An Act to increase the compensation of certain employees of the municipal government of the District of Columbia, and for other purposes", approved June 30, 1949, is hereby amended to read as follows: "No additional compensation shall be payable by reason of the enactment of this Act for any period prior to June 30, 1949, in the case of any person who was not an employee in or under the municipal government of the District of Columbia on June 30, 1949, except that (1) such additional compensation shall be paid to a retired employee for services rendered between the first day of the first pay period which began after June 30, 1948, and the date of his retirement, and (2) a retired officer or member of the Metropolitan Police, the United States Park Police, the White House Police, or the Fire Department of the District of Columbia who is entitled to retirement compensation from the policemen and firemen's relief fund shall be entitled, without application therefor, as of July 1, 1948, or the day on which he became entitled to such compensation, whichever is later, to the pension benefit resulting from the increase in pay made by the first section."

D. C. policemen and firemen.

Ante, p. 377. Restriction.

Ante, p. 376.

Approved October 28, 1949.

[CHAPTER 780]

JOINT RESOLUTION

Relating to the sale of certain shipyard facilities at Orange, Texas.

October 28, 1949 [H. J. Res. 373] [Public Law 427]

Whereas the General Services Administration now holds for disposition certain shippard facilities at Orange, Texas, declared surplus by the Navy Department; which facilities were constructed during the war on land belonging to the Consolidated Steel Corporation at a total cost of \$8,235,000; which facilities were operated during the war by Consolidated Steel Corporation in the construction of naval vessels; which facilities were closed down at the end of the war and have since remained idle; and

Whereas Consolidated Western Steel Corporation, successor to the Consolidated Steel Corporation, is now the owner of the lands upon which said facilities are located and has the right, under the contract with the Government under which said facilities were constructed, to require their removal upon sixty days' notice; and

Whereas it is vital to the national defense that the facilities be maintained and to the extent practicable operated and kept in good condition; and

Whereas Consolidated Western Steel Corporation in a written offer dated May 18, 1949, submitted to War Assets Administration its offer to purchase the Government-owned facilities for a cash price of \$1,001,000; and

Whereas the Munitions Board in connection with said proposed sale has imposed a "national security clause" on the facility, under the terms of which the facility will be maintained for the purposes of national defense by the proposed purchaser for a period of five years without cost to the Government; and